

From Out' The Wizards Sleeve...

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Part V. : The Misers Dream Come True!

The Magi reaches into thin air and produces one, two three...and more coins! Reaching into the air again, the magician pulls dollar bills from mid-air with both hands....hundreds of them! Filling to the Brim a Giant Fishbowl!! We actually did this in our fair shows...a great misers dream routine to Calloway's "I wanna get rich!" (Yes, We even have the rights to use the music!!). We produced Chocolate Coins the Size of Silver Dollars....the crowds loved it (The Crowds got to eat the chocolate!). Wouldn't it be great if we could just reach up into thin air and produce money for our Assembly? Would you think me daft....would you burn me at the stake, if I told you We Can Do Just That?

How can we (The SAM) use our 501(c)3 status to further the cause of Community Service and Youth Programs? As I always say, if you got free money...ya might as well flaunt it! 501(c)3 organizations are tax exempt, due to their charitable/non-profit nature. Many Theatres and School Auditoriums come at Huge Discounted or No Fee Rates! When thinking about a fund-raising event for your Assembly or SYM, Think about your non-prof status! It opens doors to Opportunity!

Our Non-Profit status also allows for fund raising in other arenas. For Instance: Wal-Mart and Sams Club give away millions every year (Each group may receive monies once a month from a number of these fine operations!), and will even donate door prizes for functions! Wal-Mart will match up to \$1000.00 for any fundraiser done at one of their locations! Home Depot, Staples, Office Max, the list goes on and on of the Corporations that offer Hand Ups (NOT Hand Outs!) to 501(c)3 Organizations! That's it for this month....as you know, we are getting ready to put our show on the road, and building, scripting and rehearsals are calling! If you know of someone who would like work as a Magicians Assistant, have her give us a call!! She must be at least 21 years of age!

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Until Next Time, Remember...Magic Happens!

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